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The Administrative Procedure Act (APA) requires the publication of Notices of Rulemaking Docket Opening when an agency opens a rulemaking docket to consider rulemaking. Under the APA effective January 1, 1995, agencies must submit a Notice of Rulemaking Docket Opening before beginning the formal rulemaking process.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE ADMINISTRATION

1. <u>Title and its heading:</u> 3, Agriculture

<u>Chapter and its heading:</u> 1, Department of Agriculture

Administration

Articles and their headings: 1, General Provisions

3, Public Participation in Rulemaking

Section numbers: R3-1-101 through R3-1-301 through R3-1-307 (As a part

of this rulemaking, the Department may add, delete, or modify

additional Sections as necessary.)

2. The subject matter of the proposed rules:

This rulemaking updates the Department's rules governing rulemaking practices to those currently prescribed in statute. Procedures that are duplicative of language in statute will be removed and additional guidelines will be prescribed to enhance clarity.

A new Section will be added to advise an applicant for a license that requires a written examination that a time limitation may be set on the time allowed for completing the examination. The Department will advise an applicant of the procedures related to requesting and obtaining an accommodation under the Americans' with Disabilities Act.

A new Section will be added to prescribe the elements required in a petition seeking Department review of a practice or substantive policy statement that a person alleges constitutes a rule.

Language use will be conformed to the current rulewriting standards of the Office of the Secretary of State.

3. A citation to all published notices relating to the proceeding:

Notice of Proposed Rulemaking: 10 A.A.R. 609, February 27, 2004

4. The name and address of agency personnel with whom persons may communicate regarding the rules:

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5. The time during which the agency will accept written comments and the time and place where oral comments may be made:

Written comments:

Oral comments:

8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday

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6. A timetable for agency decisions or other action on the proceeding, if known:

Unknown

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE ANIMAL SERVICES DIVISION

1. <u>Title and its heading:</u> 3, Agriculture

Chapter and its heading:2, Department of AgricultureArticle and its heading:2, Meat and Poultry Inspection

Section number: R3-2-201 (As a part of this rulemaking, the Department may add,

delete, or modify additional Sections as necessary.)

2. The subject matter of the proposed rule:

This rulemaking updates the definitions used by the Department to regulate meat and poultry slaughter and inspection. Language use is conformed to the rulewriting standards of the Office of the Secretary of State.

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